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Mr. John H. Robertus
Executive Officer
California Regional Water Quality Control Board
San Diego Region
9771 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Suite A
San Diego, CA 92124-1324

Re: Request for Automatic Transfer of Order No. 97-52 (SOCRA) to new South Orange County Wastewater Authority (SOCWA)

Dear Mr. Robertus:

As you may be aware, the South East Regional Reclamation Authority (SERRA), the Aliso Water Management Agency (AWMA) and the South Orange County Reclamation Authority (SOCRA) propose to consolidate their operations, effective July 1, 2001, into a single new Joint Powers Authority, the South Orange County Wastewater Authority (SOCWA). This letter will serve as SOCRA's request to permit an automatic transfer of the subject Order, pursuant to section E16 of Order No. 97-52.

I am enclosing a copy of the new Joint Powers Agreement which sets forth the specific date for transfer of permit responsibility, coverage and liability. The agreement is now in the process of being approved by each of the member agencies of AWMA, SERRA and SOCRA, and we will forward a fully executed copy to you as soon as it is available.

Please advise me if you require any further information regarding this matter. Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY RECLAMATION AUTHORITY

David A. Caretto General Manager

Enclosure

cc:: Adam Laputz, Region 9

SOCWA Member Agencies/no enclosure

Mr. Gerard J. Thibeault, Region 8